## RISE IN COTTON JUSTIFIED.

BEN.M. C. BUTLER'S SHARP REPLY TO SECRETARY WILSON.

Men Who've Made the Bull Market Not Gamblers-The Planters Benefited-A Famine in Cotton Goods Threatens -15 Cents a Fair Price for the Staple.

Gen. M. C. Butler, for a number of years United States Senator from South Carolina and a Major-General during the Spanish war by appointment of President McKinley. is at the Waldorf-Astoria and will be in the city for several days. He goes from here to Newport on the invitation of his cousin, Perry Belmont.

Gen. Butler has been engaged in cotton planting ever since he came of age and has his plantations for thirty years. Since his retirement from the United States Senate he has devoted particular attention to the subject of cotton growing and is regarded as one of the most progressive and best informed men in the Scuth regarding cotton.

A reporter asked Gen. Butler yesterday if he had seen a statement from Secretary Wilson of the Agricultural Department concerning the advance in the price of cotton and containing some severe strictures upon the men who lately have been operating in the cotton market. The Secretary of Agriculture did not hesitate to characterize them as gamblers, and severely criticise them as such.

"Yes. I have seen what was said to have "yes, I have seen what was said to have been the expression of opinion of Secretary Wilson," said Gen. Butler, "and I must think that he spoke without correct infor-mation. Indeed I am bound to say that he seemed not to know what he was talking ut. The gentlemen to whom he refers gambiers, Messrs. Brown and Hayne, not only among the most reputable are not only among the most reputable business men in the country, but are gentlemen of the highest character. One of them, Mr. Hayne, is from my own State, and I think he will stand fair comparison, as will Mr. Brown, from Missispipi, with Secretary Wilson or anybody in official or business life. I must say I was surprised at what appeared to me to be a very reckless charge one which to be a very reckless charge, one which was not justified by the facts. "The fact is that Messrs. Brown and

Havne have done more for the producers of cotton, the farmers, in a few months, than the Department of Agriculture has done in ten years. I was somewhat surprised at Secretary Wilson, for he did not appear to get into a frenzy of indignation when certain other gentlemen in the West were making a corner on wheat and corn, which enhanced the value of these two commodities, and from which the farmers

"The Secretary seems to be particularly concerned about the operators and the cotton mills; that the cotton mills have had to shut down and put out of employment a large number of employees, and that therefore it's a great wrong upon the cotton mills. Now in regard to that, Messrs. Brown and Hayne simply bought cotton from the bears in the cotton market and required them to deliver the cotton, and, of course, the price went up.

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"As a rule the managers of the cotton mills all over the country are bears and sympathize with the bear operators. Very naturally, their interest is to lower the price of the raw material, and they heeded he representations made by the bear oper-tors, exaggerated the last crop of cotton and failed to provide themselves with the raw material to keep their mills going. That is all there is in that."

"Can you say anything with reference to the profits in manfacturing cotton cloth from the raw cotton?"

"Well, only in a very general way. A friend of mine who is largely interested in the manufacture of cotton in the South gave me some statistics at one time of the profits from say a pound of raw cotton converted into the finished product, and I am told that in many instances that profit am told that in many instances that profit has been anywhere from 10 per cent. to 70 per cent., which of course is very gratifying to me, for I didn't want to see the cotton mills of the North, or, the South either, crippled in any way. But they have not paid a fair price for cotton in the last ten years, and if the law of supply and demand is to cut any flagre now ray cotton constitution. is to cut any figure now raw to be worth 15 cents a pound.

"And if, as I understand, the mills state they cannot manufacture cotton at the resent price and make any money out of it, the simple remedy for that is to buy the cotton at the ruling price and put up the price of the manufactured goods, for I think we may safely expect that we will in a very few months find a famine of cotton nanufactured goo is in this country. "What is the visible supply of raw cotton in the market, and about how long would

My information, and I think it is pretty accurate, is that the visible supply of cotton to-day is about 580,000 bales, which would be about three weeks' supply for the cotton lls. That is my information."
"And how long before the new crop
Il begin to come into the market?"

Well, they are picking cotton now in the extreme Soith, but as a rule cotton ought to be rushed in in October or Noember, and then of course the mills can buy what cotton they want. And I think ught to make another statement, which I selieve to be correct that we are now having the greatest cotton famine in this country since the civil war. I want to repeat that otton should be selling to-day for 15 cents a pound, if the rule of supply and demand is to cut any figure."

"What is your information as to the num-

ber of bales of cotton in the last crop?
"Well, I understand the bears sent circulars all over this country and Europe representing that the crop would be 11,500,000 bales or thereabouts, whereas, if I am correctly informed, it was only about 10,250,000 bales, and if the cotton factories were better informed they would have aid in a supply to keep their factories "In other words, Messrs. Brown and Hayne had better information as to the actual crop than the manufacturers of cotton?

Unquestionably."
'And they took advantage of this?" "They simply took advantage of it and acted upon it, and they required the bears to deliver the cotton that they bought, and that is all there is in it."

"Secretary Wilson takes an alarmist view

of the foreign competition in the growing of cotton, referring to the possible increase the cotton area in Egypt after the completion of the Nile Dam."

The German, the English, the French

and the Russian Governments have for years been trying to find a locality suitable the production of cotton, and so far they do not seem to have made much progress. Ten or twelve years ago—per-haps longer than that—the Russian Government employed a very intelligent young n planter in my State and sent him into Central Asia with a view to developing the cotton growing in that country, but my information is that it was a failure, and I am inclined to think that Mr. John C. Calhoun was right when he said that cotton, to be successfully grown in any country, must have frost."

view of the increasing world demand for cotton, do you think that we in this country have any cause to fear foreign competition?"

Not the slightest. On the contrary, I think we will go on increasing the crop. The demand is increasing every year. The enormous increase of cotton factories in the South is absorbing a great deal of the in the South is absorbing a great deal of the, crop made in that section, and it's going to continue, for these cotton mills, wherever properly managed, have made enormous profits. That is one of the reasons why it was so important for the cotton planters of the South to have what they call an open door in China, and this is going to be one of the principal markets for manufactured catton goods in the South manufactured cotton goods in the South.
And I want to say in that connection that ountry, particularly the Southern part of it, is greatly indebted to Mr. Secretary Hay of the State Department for his able, firm and distinguished conduct in dealing with that question of the open door, and if he is sustained in that attitude I do not think. not think that the cotton manufacturers of this country have anything to fear." "What is your opinion, General, as to the outlook of the present cotton crop?" "My manager on my plantation writes

me that the crop is about three weeks late, but at present is doing well. However, it is unsafe to form any opinion about the cotton crop until after Sept. 20. The crucial period in a cotton crop is from about Aug. 20 to Sept. 20.
"Then what do you make out of Secretary

Wilson's statements? "Well, summarized briefly, I should say that they amounted to an unwarranted, and, it seems to me, rather wanton char-acterization of reputable business men, doing business in a legitimate and honorable way, as common gamblers. That, and a number of bogeys, apparently the emanation of Secretary Wilson's rather vast lack of information on what he was talking about, seem to me about all his pronunciamento comes to."

AGE LIMIT FOR CHAUFFEURS. Washington's Automobile Board Refuses

to Issue Permits to Boys Under 18. Washington, Aug. 23.-The Automobile Board of the District of Columbia has placed itself on record as opposed to the ssue of permits to persons less than 18 years old to operate motor vehicles. This board was created under the regulations recently framed by the District Commissioners to regulate the use of motor machines in the streets of Washington. All chauffeurs must be licensed after Sept. 1

chauffeurs must be licensed after Sept. 1 and there has been a rush of applicants for examination during the last ten days.

Several days ago a hoy 14 years old applied to the Automobile Board for a license. The usual questions as to the construction and operation of his machine were propounded, and the boy answered the questions satisfactorily. A license was withheld, however. Subsequently two boys, 15 and 16 years old, applied for licenses, but the board declined to examine them. The board then addressed a letter to the District Commissioners expressing the opinion that the boys in questions. pressing the opinion that the boys in ques-tion are too young to be allowed to operate motor vehicles, but asking definite in-structions from the Commissioners as to what age limit should be prescribed. The Commissioners, in turn, referred the question to the Corporation Counsel, and his reply is awaited.

MOTHER DEAD, BABIES ASLEEP. What Haberg Saw When He Went Home After His Wife Had Drunk Acid.

Alvinia Haberg, wife of Joseph Haberg, conductor on the First avenue horse car line, committed suicide on Saturday night, at her home, 414 East 120th street, by taking carbolic acid. When her husband got home from work at 4 o'clock yesterday

morning he found her dead in bed.
Her four-year-old daughter Ida was lying on the same bed asleep, and a three-months old child was asleep in a baby carriage. Haberg told the police that his wife had been despondent over some imaginary trouble and had often threatened to kill herself. Some of the neighbors said that the woman's mother committed suicide seven years ago.

SAYS HOKE TO BILL. Gental Introduction to the Discussion

of a School for Porpoises. Senator William J. Stone of Missouri, who got in from Europe on Saturday, is at the Hoffman House. The Hon. Hoke Smith of Atlanta is at the Wellington. Said the Hon. Hoke: "Smoke?" Said Gum Shoe Bill: "I will."

Thereupon the conversation drifted to the Hon. Hoke's pet project, the establishment of a school for porpoises. MAJOR ANDREWS ENGAGED.

The Bride-to-Be is Miss Helen Horton Beecher of Ballston Spa.

SARATOGA, Aug. 23.-The engagemen is announced of Miss Helen Horton Beecher of Ballston Spa, a daughter of the late George Beecher and a niece of Judge James L. Scott of Saratoga, to Major James Madison Andrews, Jr., of the Second Regiment National Guard and assistant general manager of the selling department of the General Electric Company at Schenectady. Major Andrews is the son of Capt. and Mrs. James M. Andrews, whose town house is at 48 West Fifty-seventh street, New York, and a nephew of William D. Ellis, for many years president of the Ellis Locomotive Works, the largest property absorbed by the Ameri-

can Locomotive Company.

Mrs. Richmond Engliss Cochran, Major
Andrews's only sister, whose marriage
to the son of Scotland's largest manuto the son of Scotland's largest manufacturer of cotton goods took place in Saratoga in the early autumn of 1892, arrived here from Edinburgh last week and is the guest of her uncle, Mr. Ellis, at his North Broadway cottage. Mrs. Cechran came over for her brother's wedding, which has been set for Thursday, Oct. 1, at Ballston Spa. Following the service at the church a large reception will be held at the residence of the bride's mother.

Henry D. Purroy's Funeral on Tuesday. SARATOGA, Aug. 23 .- The funeral services of Henry D. Purroy will take place at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, on West Sixteenth street, New York city, Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Mrs. Henry D. Purroy and his brother, Charles D. Purroy, chief of the New York Fire Department, will leave with the remains on the Monday midnight train for New York city. Many friends of the family called at the cottage to-day and expressed their sympathy. A number of telegrams were also received.

\$5,000 Blaze in Saratoga.

SARATOGA, Aug. 23 .- A fire that burned with great rapidity at a late hour last night. and which illuminated the east side of the town, entirely destroyed the Lester Bros.' storehouse on East and Middle avenues. The loss, which is partly covered by insurance, is placed at \$5,000.

Reporters' Trap Caught Max Pam. PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 23 .- Max Pam, the New York financier and attorney, was a passenger on the Chicago Limited of the Pennsylvania Railroad last evening. At the Union Station reporters tried to secure an interview with him to ask if the reports were true that he had sold his stock in the Pneumatic Tool Company to Charles M. Schwab, as reported. He answered: I am not Mr. Pam. You have made a

"You certainly must be mistaken for him frequently," said one of the inter-

"Yes. I am." replied Mr. Pam The reporters made up a fake message and had a boy rush through the train shout-ing for Mr. Max Pam. The financier bit, and found on a slip of paper:
"Compliments of the newspaper men Did you really sell?"

Work on Bridge Changes Train Service In order to facilitate work on its new steel span across Newark Bay, between Bergen Point and Elizbethport, the Central Railroad of New Jersey abandoned all traffic between New York and Elizabeth-port from 6 o'clock in the morning to 7 o'clock in the evening yesterday. All trains were sent over the Newark and New York branch to Brills Junction and shuttle trains conveyed local passengers from Bergen Point to Jersey City.

Hungarians Hold National Festival.

A Hungarian national festival was held at Ulmer Park yesterday. It was attended by several thousand Hungarians, includby several thousand Hungarians, includ-ing many of the best-known Hungarians in the country. The committee in charge was known as the "Committee of the Fift-eenth of March."

Gangway! Here's the Peach! There was a young man named Chauncey, Whose tongue could keep up with his fancy. While writing this Limerick He's on board the Cymric. This morning it's due With December 1. BISHOP-ELECT SHEDS TEARS.

DR. COLTON WEEPS AS HE LEAVES ST. STEPHEN'S, AFTER 27 YEARS.

My Old Heart Has Become Knit to Your Welfare," He Tells His Congregation -To-day He Returns in State to Bless Them-Women Throng About Him.

The Right Rev. Charles H. Colton, Bishop lect of Buffalo, who will be consecrated by Archbishop Farley in the Cathedral this norning, took formal leave yesterday of his old parish, St. Stephen's, in East Twentyeighth street, in which he has labored for wenty-seven years. Following high mass in the church, which the retiring pastor himself celebrated, appearing for the first time there in the silken robes of a Bishop, a presentation of gifts from his former

congregation was made. The service, both religious and social was a simple one, characteristic of the Bishop. There was no elaborate musical programme, but the church was filled to its capacity, men and women kneeling in the aisles, nave and vestibules. At the close, Bishop Colton divested himself of the chasuble, stole and surplice at the foot of the altar. Over his violet cassock he donned a surplice of rare old lace, and completed the official toilet with the crimsonlined mantelleta of his office. Then, seated on the first throne he has occupied, he received; the delegation which had been chosen to represent the congregation.

The delegation was headed by Percy B O'Sullivan, who, on behalf of the parishoners, spoke of the deep regret of the parish and many of the poor of New York outside the parish, at the loss of their pastor. Reviewing the work of Father Colton during the twenty-seven years of his pastorate. Mr. O'Sullivan said:

"As an assistant priest for ten years your zeal and unwearied energy are well known and remembered, and under your pastoral care for the last seventeen years the growth and progress of the parish may without exaggeration, be called extraor-

"Your elevation to the episcopal office is not wholly, or even chiefly, an occasion of sorrow; it is for you and for us an occasion of joy. We feel sure, and it will

casion of joy. We feel sure, and it will be our earnest prayer, than an even greater measure of success will attend you in your Bishopric than has signalized so remarkably your life as a priest."

A crozier and complete set of episcopal vesments were then presented, after which Bishop Colton entered the pulpit for the last time to address his old congregation. He stood there contemplating them for several moments, almost overcome. Then, with tears streaming down his cheeks, he began to speak to his "dear children." In part, he said:

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In part, he said:

Parting with the people of this parish is to me so great a sorrow that I dare not permit myself to dwell upon it, lest I should be overcome. You must know what it means to me. During the twenty-seven years of happiness I have known among you, my old heart has become knit to your interests and welfare, and I have learned to love you individually and collectively. Many times I have visited your homes to administer consolation in the hours of your bereavement; it has been my daily privilege to be your confessor and to bear to you the Holy Communion. I have performed the marriages of many of you and brought the young children of your unions into the holy Church. I have witnessed your joys and your griefs until you have individually become a part of my life, and the severing of this tie brings deep sadness upon me.

I have tried at all times not to look back-

As the Bishop descended from the pulpit

his own cheeks wet, men and women throughout the church were sobbing. Many women gathered about the entrance of the church, some with young children in their arms, to receive Dr. Colton's blessing. His consecration will begin this morning at 9:30 o'clock in St. Patrick's Cathedral. Following the consecration a banquet will be given to the clergy of the archdiocese. Solemn pontifical benediction will be given by Bishop Colton in his old church to-night at 7:30 o'clock. The Bishop, accompanied by Archbishop Farley and about seventy clergymen and prominent laymen, will start for Buffalo to-morrow morning, and his solemn installation will be held in the Cathedral there to-morrow

POPE BLESSES THE PAULISTS A Special Benediction Sent Here Through Cardinal Gibbons.

The Very Rev. George Deshon, C. S. P. Superior of the Paulist Order, received, yesterday, this benediction from Pope Pius X., sent through Cardinal Gibbons:

MY DEAR FATHER DESHON: It gives me great pleasure to inform you that his Holiness, Pius X., grants to yourself and to your congregation of the Paulists his Apostolic benediction. This favor was granted to me personally after I had introduced to his Holiness about seventy American pilgrims this very afternoon. Hoping, dear father, that you are well, I am, yours faithfully, in Christ.

J. CARD. GIBRONS. The benediction was read in all the Paulist

churches in America yesterday PILGRIMS TO AURIESVILLE.

More Than 3.000 From Troy Visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs.

AURIESVILLE, N. Y., Aug. 23 .- More than 3,000 pilgrims from Troy to-day visited the shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs. The pilgrims arrived shortly before 9 o'clock and came by two special trains over the West Shore Railroad. Upon the arrival of the pilgrims mass was conducted by or the pigrims mass was conducted by the Jesuit fathers. This afternoon a ser-mon was preached by the Rev. Father Dennis J. O'Sullivan, S. J., of Boston Col-lege. The Rev. Father Wynne, S. J., of New York, was at the shrine to-day and assisted in the services. The pilgrims departed for Troy late this afternoon.

GAVE HIMSELF UP IN CHICAGO Detective From That City Was Here at

the Same Time to Get Patterson. CHICAGO, Aug. 23.-While Detective Sergeant Jack Rohan was searching New York for a fugitive he appeared in the Harrison street police court yesterday, and gave bonds for his appearance on Aug. 28. William L. Patterson, a travelling salesman, was wanted to answer to the charge of stealing a typewriter from the office of the International Mercantile Comrie was traced to New York, where

pany. He was traced to New York, where he was arrested on Thursday. The New York police notified the Chicago police that the fugitive was under arrest there and would be held until an officer there and would be held until an officer could arrive for him. Detective Rohan reached New York yesterday. About the same time the detective walked into Police Headquarters in New York, Patterson walked into Central station here.

"I believe I am wanted here," he said, making known his identity. "I was arrested in New York but gave bonds for my respressioned and started-here."

rested in New York but gave bonds for my reappearance and started-here."

Patterson said he would return to New York and ask for his discharge there on the ground that he was charged with the same offence in Chicago and would return here in time to appear in court when his case was called

POLICEMAN DIES OF OLD INJURY

Which He Received in Performance o Duty, but Never Reported.

Policeman Joseph H. Meyer of the East Twenty-second street station died in Bellevue Hospital last night of an injury received while doing police duty, which he never even reported to the sergeant. His right leg was amputated a week ago to afford him relief from necrosis of the bone, and he was too weak to survive the shock.

A year ago Meyer fell into an areaway while trying doors along his post on East Seventeenth street. He limped into the station house the next morning, and the only persons who heard of the accident were his brother policemen, who asked him why he limped. He has been on the sick list much of the time since.

Meyer's home was at 535 East Seventeenth street. He leaves a wife and one child. He had been a policeman three years.

GOOD PORTRAIT SHOW PROMISED International Fine Arts Association Prob

ably to Exhibit With It. The first exhibition to be given by the ecently organized International Fine Arts association will probably be held in connection with the Portrait Show, late this The loan exhibition of portraits in aid of the Orthopedic Hospital is to be held this year in the American Art Galleries. It will be under the management of the American Art Association, acting in conjunction with the executive committee, which consists of James Henry Smith, Charles T. Barney, Stanford White, James L. Breese

These men are all directors of the International Fine Arts Association, and there is a prospect of obtaining for the Portrait Show a number of important portraits which the Fine Arts association will bring here from abroad, if, indeed, this associa-tion does not determine to hold a first exhibition of its own in connection with the Portrait Show.

Efforts are being made to have the Por-

rait Show of this coming season excel its predecessors, and leading collectors have already promised to lend some fine portraits for it. Mr. Barney, Mr. Breese and Mr. White of the executive committee and Mr. Kirby of the Art Association make up the committee of selection. nittee of selection.

LOVE LETTERS TO A PREACHER. Cincinnati Woman in Court for Writing to Tom Johnson's Lieutenant.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 23 .- "You can place me in a sanitarium if you like, but I will always love him," declared Eva Metcalfe, a dressmaker, who was examined in probate court vesterday because she had frequently asked the Rev. Herbert S. Bigelow to elope with her. Mr. Bigelow is the young pastor of the Vine Street Congregational Church and Tom Johnson's lieutenant in this city. He was the candidate for Secre-tary of State on the Democratic ticket

last fall.
Several letters addressed to Mr. Bigelow by Miss Metcalfe, were produced in court by Miss Lottie Taylor, Bigelow's stenographer. She said that Miss Metcalfe had confided to her that, while she knew Mr. Bigelow was married, she still loved him. Elopement was proposed in some of the letters, and in others she threatened to take her. Itife unless the minister take her life unless the minister ould call on her. Several witnesses testified to the letters.

Miss Taylor said she opened all letters, and at Mr. Bigelow's direction returned them and told the girl to write no more. Miss Metcalfe was released upon her promise not to write any more letters to the young

and the severing of this tie brings deep sadness upon me.

I have tried at all times not to look backward into the past, but into the future. Leaving you, as I now must, I will take that past into a general view and hold it close to my heart. I will remember you in the friendly spirit of the past, when our lives were in each other's work. Our Church was always a family hearthstone, and around it we were used to gather.

My first blessing, as I would have my last, will be for you. After I shall have been consecrated to-morrow and shall, in the full menning of the word, have been made a Bishop, I ask you to come here to see your old friend, your pastor, your follower, and let me, with mitre on head and crozier in hand, walk these asises once more and impart to you, with all my old heart, my solemn benediction. You have the deepest place in my old heart, and to you, my children, would I give my first blessing. I will have in Buffalo a much larger flock, but ever in the depth of my heart will be my firstborn, the children of St. Stephen's.

As the Bishop descended from the pulpit was served yesterday on over twenty residents here who have camps on State land in this county to appear in an action instituted by the Forest, Fish and Game Commission to recover lands which ing them defendants in individual suits Northwestern Life and Savings Co. Sold.

ers who had permanent structures up to vacate the same at once. Those notices were ignored. Again this spring notices were sent out to the same effect. The notice of to-day is the first that has notice of to-day is the first that has had any real effect in bringing the campers into action. In many cases the present occupants of camps have had the same location for years and there are campe on State lands in the Adirondacks that are valued up in the thousands. Most of the campers are preparing to defend the suits.

The feeling among the guides and those who make their living out of the woods is very bitter toward the Commission.

300,000 AT CONEY ISLAND.

Biggest frowd of the Season Throngs the Resort-Day a Quiet One. Coney Island had a record-breaking crowd yesterday. At no time after 2 o'clock in the afternoon were there fewer than 200,000 persons at the resort. The

than 200,000 persons at the resort. The railroad people said last evening that more than 300,000 persons had been carried to the resort during the day.

Police Captain Dooley and his men, aided by a large detachment from other precincts, kept the large crowd in good order. Very few arrests were made for drunkenness and the police declared that the day was one of the quietest of the season.

NEGRO EXCURSIONS BAD.

Editor of Negro Paper Commends the El Paso Authorities for Stopping One. DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 23.-W. E. King of

Dallas, conceded to be the foremost negro editor of Texas, furnished the following statement yesterday concerning the suppression of negro excursions on Texas

"The stopping of the negro excursion that had been arranged for to-day to E Paso, because of the protest of the municipal authorities of that city, is significant. For years I have tried to discourage these negro excursions. Next to the open saloon the cheap railroad excursion is the worst enemy that preys upon the poor negro. The great trunk lines encourage the busi-

ness, but that does not make it right.

"The truth is, the negro excursion is a nuisance and should be abated. What the negro needs is six days work in every week and in fifty-two weeks every year, and to stick to it. Fiddling and drinking and riding are not things to make a great people. Let the negro excursion come to a standstill. If this is done there will be less of the hip-pocket industry and fewer razor plays. The El Paso city authorities are right in discouraging the train-riding idlers. Other cities should do the same thing. In discouraging the excursion they thing. In discouraging the exemple, are helping to destroy an enemy of man-

Negro Mail Clerk Resigns Because Threatened by a Mob.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 23.-I. Bowman, a negro of Hamburg, La., mail clerk on the Simmesport and Bunkie Railroad in Avoyelles parish, has resigned. He resigns, he says, because he was threatened by a mob at Mansura and believes that it would be dangerous for him to remain in the service. Ill-feeling has existed in that parish for some time over the employment of negro mail clerks.

Paris Editor Here Sight-Seeing.

D. Cassigneul, editor of Le Petit Journal, accompanied by his friend M. Vitoz, an attaché of the French Ministry of Finance. arrived yesterday from Havre aboard the French liner La Bretagne. They will make a tour of the country, visiting the chief newspaper offices in all the big cities. RHINOCEROS ATTACKS KEEPER

OLD SMILES OF CENTRAL PARK IS FEELING BETTER NOW.

Recovered From Her Rheumatism and Is Able to Make a Quick Dash at Billy Snyder, Who Dodges Just in Time -Killed Her Friend Topsy, the Cat.

Old Smiles, the two-horned rhinoceros in the Central Park menagerie, made a dash for Billy Snyder, her keeper, yesterday, and it was only Snyder's quickness that saved him. He was cleaning up her stall at the time and had taken severa bundles of fresh straw into the place.

Because of her ugly temper the keeper has been in the habit of putting a rope around the animal's neck and tying her to one of the strong iron stanchions before he enters the stall. He did so yesterday morning, but she worked the rope loose and wheeling about as he was shaking up the straw she let out a "houf-f-f!" and started for the keeper.

He had a pitchfork in his hands at the time, but he knew that that weapon would not stop the rush, so he dropped it and jumped for the iron-barred doorway which eads to the rear yard.

He did not have time to squeeze through before the rhinoceros was upon him, so he sprang to one side and she banged her head against the bars. He ran to the opposite side of the enclosure and got out there. He had no time to spare, either, In getting out, for the beast had turned quickly and made for him again. In her second rush she killed her friend Topsy, the black cat that had protected her from the attacks of rats while she slept. The cat failed to get out of the way ard old Smiles stepped on her.

"Geewhittaker! but that was a close shave. I didn't know the old lady was so spry. But I'm better pleased than if I found a ten-dollar bill," Snyder said afterward. He explained that the animal's sprynes

in getting about showed that she had recovered from her rheumatism. from which she had been suffering for a long time. She was so bad a month ago that it was thought that she could not recover. She is said to be the only two-horned

rhinoceros in captivity and large offers have been made for her, but the Park authorities do not intend to sell her. She has been a victim of rheumatism for more than a year and various remedies were tried on her. The disease settled in her knees and her forelegs were pretty stiff.

A month ago she got worse and would not eat. She lost about 200 pounds in weight and though she had about 1,000 pounds left, the loss of the 200 caused anxiety. Besides the medicine Snyder used a liniment to which he added macerated bees and wasps which he got from Dr. Southwick, the Park entomologist. He applied the liniment three times a day, first tying the animal to a stanchion. He first tying the animal to a stanchion. He would first bathe the knees with hot water to make the skin soft and to open the pores

to make the skin soft and to open the pores and then rub in the liniment.

Smiles would give a little squeal when he touched the tender spots, but after a few applications she seemed to know that

sew applications see seemed to know that the operation would give her comfort and she would hobble over to the stanchion to be tied when Snyder called her. Either the liniment or the medi-cine checked the disease and caused it to subside. Her keeper rubs the whole surface of her body with neatsfoot oil every two weeks. She has stopped losing flesh and has recovered her appetite as well as her pugnacity. She takes for breakfast five loaves of bread and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon a pail of oats and bran mash,

DES MOINES, Ia., Aug. 23.- The North western Life and Savings Company of Des Moines has been sold to the Northwestern National Life Insurance Company of Minneapolis. The deal was closed in Des Moines, the stockholders of the Iowa concern getting between \$300,000 and \$400,-000 for their \$100,000 stock.

To Feast on an 87-Pound Turtle.

William and Thomas Gleegon, S. J. Ahearn and George B. Edmunds of Bayonne issued invitations yesterday for a turtle soup feast which is to be made from an eightyven pound turtle caught in Prince's Bay The turtle gave the four men a hard battle, and several times broke loose before it was

## ECZEMA

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I did," said the cierk. "His old chair spoiled I did," said the cierk. "His old chair spoiled my Sunday outing. My wife and I were going to the seashore to-day and I had just one good pair of trousers. When I got up at 9 o'clock this morning and sat down on that chair I didn't know about the nail that was sticking up. It just ripped a big hole in those trousers, and as I wear a sack coat I knew I couldn't go to the seashore, and felt mad."

The landlord said that his lodger had picked up the chair and banged it against the wall until it was broken to pieces and

begins the chair and banged it against the wall until it was broken to pieces and badly frightened a woman lodger in the next room. The clerk then picked up the water pitcher and smashed that against the opposite wall so that a late sleeper ran down and asked the landlord who was the light the part room. The clerk the lunatic in the next room. The clerk treated the bowl as he did the pitcher and was knocking other things about when Policeman Dust arrived and arrested him. "I fine you \$10," said Magistrate Barlow.

"I want to sue him for my trousers," shouted the clerk, as he went downstairs in default of paving.

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GEORGETOWN, Ky., Aug. 23.—Caleb Powers to-day secured the consent of his attorney to argue his own case to the jury which is trying him for his life on the Goebel murder conspiracy charge. There are to be three speeches on a side in the case, and Powers is to close his side of it. He will speak for three hours and be followed by the Commonwealth's Attorney, F. Franklin, who will close the case. The appearance of the defendant in his own behalf is an arranged this in Montaler and much an unusual thing in Kentucky, and much interest is displayed in it.

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